

REMARKS

In the Office Action under reply, the Examiner found the subject matter of the claims to be patentable over prior art. However, claims 2, 5 and 6 were objected to. Although the Examiner “rejected” claim 6, it is apparent that her comments were directed more to an objection than a rejection of claim 6, and this response has been prepared to comply with and overcome such objection.

The Examiner’s suggested amendments to claims 2 and 5 have been adopted.

Claim 6 has been re-worded to satisfy and overcome the Examiner’s objections to this claim. The scope of the claim has not been changed. It is submitted that claim 6 now is in condition for allowance.

Claims 1-8, all of the claims in this application, are in allowable form; and it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. An early notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

This is in response to the Examiner’s Statement of Reasons for Allowance, set out in the Office Action of October 18, 2004. To the extent the Examiner’s Statement of Reasons for Allowance states, implies or is construed to mean that the claims are allowable over the prior art of record because the Examiner believes the claims should be interpreted to include one or more features or limitations not recited therein, Applicant’s attorney disagrees with such an interpretation. Moreover, it is Applicant’s contention that there is no particular limitation in the allowed claims that is more critical than any other. The Examiner’s Statement of Reasons for Allowance should not be construed as a surrender by Applicants of any subject matter. It is the intent of Applicant, by his attorney, to construe the allowed claims so as to cover the invention disclosed in the instant application and all equivalents to which the claimed invention is entitled.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any insufficient fees or credit any overpayment associated with the above-identified application to Deposit Account 50-0320.

Respectfully submitted,

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